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- a. On 5 August 1955, a meeting of the GST took place in the "Haus der Ministerien".
- b. Among those present were representatives of the GST, KVP, FDGB as well as members of the "Ministerium für Schwermaschinenbau" (Ministry for Heavy Machine Construction) and the "Ministerium für Kultur, Hauptverwaltung Hochschulwesen und Universitäten" (Ministry of Culture and Main Administration for High Schools and Universities). The object of the meeting was to discuss the rate of progress made by the GST to date.

- a. High school and university students were not represented in sufficiently large numbers.
- b. Too much emphasis was still being placed on the purely sports side of the GST.
- c. The standard of general training was still unsatisfactory.
- d. Weapons and training equipment were still inadequate.
- e. High schools and universities were deserving of the sharpest criticism.

- a. The GST must break away from the concept that its main purpose in life was sport. Henceforth sports training as well as education were to be regarded as among the least important of its tasks.
- b. Plans which up to now have been shelved will be introduced into schools and universities for pre-military training.
- c. The KVP would have a more important role to play in the affairs of the

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GST and Willi Stoph, former Minister of the Interior, would be entrusted with working out the details of this new commitment.

- d. The VEBs for Heavy Industries would be responsible for arranging suitable courses in all branches of weapon and engine construction for members of the GST.
 - e. Specially recommended members of the GST in VEB and RFT ("Rundfunk und Fernmeldetechnik") Works would be instructed in the use of various kinds of W/T and signals equipment.
 - f. A control commission would be set up by 15 September to supervise the carrying out by the GST of all the measures agreed upon so far.
 - g. The KVP would be responsible for acquiring additional instructional weapons especially medium mortars and light MGs. These were to be made available without delay.
4. Personalities. Those present at the meeting were:
- a. From the GST:
 - Staizer
 - Brauhert, Head of technical training and equipment
 - Paulig, Head of political education
 - b. From the KVP:
 - Generalmajor Gossens
 - Major Thiele
 - Major Lenke
 - Colonel Stein
 - Major Sredski
 - c. From the FDJ:
 - Schwandt
 - Ahnert
 - Gruenberg and others
 - d. From the Ministerium für Schwermaschinenbau
 - Three representatives including a certain Beaunsberg. (sic)
 - e. From the Ministerium für Kultur, Hauptverwaltung Hochschulwesen und Universitäten
 - Schimmelring and four others (names not known).

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